

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-5 (Cancelled)

Claim 6. (Original) A method of producing an electrode for fuel cells comprising the steps of:

establishing a water repellent finished state of an electrode structure which is electrically conductive and gas permeable;

carrying a catalyst on the water repellent finished electrode structure; and

applying ion exchange resin onto the catalyst carrying electrode structure.

Claim 7. (Original) A method as set forth in claim 6, wherein the electrode structure is formed of electrically conductive fiber filaments having electrically conductive particles dispersed thereon.

Claims 8-9. (Cancelled)

Claim 10 (Previously Presented) A method of producing an electrode for fuel cells, comprising the sequential steps of:

establishing water repellent finished state of an electrode structure which is electrically conductive, and gas permeable;

carrying a catalyst on the water repellent finished electrode structure; and

applying ion exchange resin onto the electrode structure.

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Claim 11 (New) A method as set forth in Claim 6, wherein the water repellent finished state of the electrode is immersed in a solution including the catalyst in the carrying step of the catalyst.